

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 1 line 12 as follows:

Computer Program Listing Appendix

A computer listing is included in a Compact Disc appendix in the attached CD ROM (quantity of two) in IBM-PC using MS-Windows operating system, containing file Appendix.txt, created on 12/29/06, containing 12,288 bytes (Copy 1 and Copy 2) and is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

Please replace the first paragraph of page 1 as follows:

This patent application is a continuation-in-part application under 35 United States Code § 120 of United States Patent Application No. 10/187,060 filed on June 28, 2002, which is incorporated herein by reference. An exemplary schema in accordance with the present invention is disclosed in a file entitled Appendix.txt beginning on page 11 in a CDROM attached to an application entitled "Mixed Content Flexibility," Serial No. 10/726,077, Docket No. 60001.0275US01, filed December 2, 2003, which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

Please delete the code listing extending from page 10, line 27 through page 18, line 24.

Please delete and replace the Abstract as follows:

An application has its own namespace or namespaces and a schema, or a set of schemas, which can be used by applications to generate and/or validate documents in a unique format. The application can uniquely define the format (and properties) of styles of data in a document such that the document is represented in a native format. The document can be stored externally as a markup language file in accordance with the schema of the application. When the format is stored in a markup language, other applications can validate the document stored in accordance with the native format. The other applications can represent the styles in accordance to the degree to which they are aware of the unique properties of the application used to generate the document.